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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified application please find the following documents:

1. Response and Amendment (4 pages);
2. Return Postcard.

Although Applicants believe no fees are due with this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-230 (CURA 530).

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